

## State of Arizona Department of Education

## **SCHOOL FINANCE MEMORANDUM 20-043**

TO: Charter School Administrators, Directors, and Principals

FROM: Lyle Friesen, ED Associate Superintendent of School Finance

**DATE:** May 1, 2020

SUBJECT: 5/1/2020 Basic Calculation for Equalization Assistance Report (CHAR 55-1) and

Equalization Assistance Detail Report (CHAR 64-1)

The May 1, 2020 charter apportionment is complete. The CHAR55-1 and the CHAR64-1 equalization assistance reports for charters are posted on each charter school's home page of the Arizona Department of Education (ADE) <u>School Finance website</u>. If assistance is required for finding or viewing these reports, please contact the ADE IT Technology Support team at (602) 542-7378 or toll free at (866) 577-9636.

All eligible charters were paid based on FY20 ACE results as of April 7, 2020. If the charter has any concerns or questions regarding the student counts, please contact the Account Analyst team at: <a href="mailto:SFAnalystTeam@azed.gov">SFAnalystTeam@azed.gov</a>

## Important Notes:

- CAA Reduction: Charter Additional Assistance reduction \$6,814,400, per House Bill 2749 has been recalculated, and was included by the December 2<sup>nd</sup> payment. (CHAR64-1 report)
- **SSW Adjustment**: Small School Weight adjustment has been recalculated and was included by the May 1<sup>st</sup> payment. (CHAR64-1 report)
- K-3 Reading: Per A.R.S 15-211, Each school district and charter school shall annually submit to the department of education on or before October 1 an updated K-3 reading program plan that includes data on program expenditures and results, except that beginning in fiscal year 2016-2017, a school district or charter school that is assigned a letter grade of A or B pursuant to section 15-241 shall submit this plan only in odd-numbered years. Submitted plans appeared on the agenda for the State Board of Education meeting held on 2/24/20. Those who were approved have had the funding included in the April 1, 2020 apportionment. For questions on the timing of your Board approval, please contact the Move On When Reading department at MoveOnWhenReading@azed.gov



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For any questions regarding the May 1, 2020 charter equalization calculation, please email <a href="mailto:SFPaymentTeam@azed.gov">SFPaymentTeam@azed.gov</a>. Please contact the Account Analyst team for any questions about your estimated counts or other required student information at: <a href="mailto:SFAnalystTeam@azed.gov">SFAnalystTeam@azed.gov</a>